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SENATOR BARNETT: Well, I'll try it but it's not going to work.

(UNKNOWN): I object.

SENATOR BARNETT: I said it very softly.

PRESIDENT: Well, there's an objection. That takes care of that, Senator Barnett. Sorry. All right, Senator Whitney, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR WHITNEY: Point of order. This kills this bill permanently and there's no opportunities even with a motion....unanimous consent motion, isn't that correct?

PRESIDENT: No further motion to reconsider shall be in order unless by unanimous consent. That's what the Rule Book says, Senator Whitney. I don't think I can go beyond that or I don't know how I can interpret it any more than that? Senator Syas, do you want to help? Well, I presume so because under the rules of the Legislature, you can do anything if you can suspend the rules.

SENATOR SYAS: I think he could do it.

PRESIDENT: I don't think I'd want to rule on it ahead of time but take it up whenever somebody wants to test the water. All right, what other motions do we have up there? While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I have signed LB909, 942, 951, 961, 997, 1007 and 1015.

CLERK: Mr. President, I move to suspend the rules and place LB627 on General File notwithstanding the action of the vote of the Constitutional Revision and Recreation Committee. The committee, Mr. President, indefinitely postponed LB627 and they were out of time to file a motion to raise.

PRESIDENT: Whose motion is it? The Chair recognizes Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President and members of the Body. I'll be very quick on this. The time has elapsed for consideration of this bill under the five days so I'm asking suspension of the rules. It's in order to allow discussion later on if you want to to put an item on the ballot for the benefit of the state colleges. It's in no way intended to help my area, might even hurt my area, but I think they have problems. I think there might be a possibility that we could help them. This would merely put this bill up on General File and if it's considered all right and if it doesn't, I'm not going to shed any tears. But I really think they've got problems. Senator Carpenter is trying to address himself to these problems. A bill is needed. If in the future you want it to do something and I'm not trying to sell now to do anything. The intent would be not to pass the bill as it's drawn and shown in your books which would create a super board. The intent would be, at least in my mind, I've talked this over with Senator Carpenter, to give possible thought to putting in a constitutional amendment that would merely take all references of state colleges out of the constitution and then this would allow the Legislature to do as they best see fit for the state colleges in the future. Now that's the theory of what I'm trying to present here. I'm not trying to present the bill